

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-9 are pending with claims 4-9 added by this paper.

**Drawing Objections**

Attached are new drawings obviating the objections raised by the Action and draftsperson. Consequently, applicants respectfully submit that these objections should be withdrawn.

**Specification Objections**

Amendments have been made to the specification to substantively comply with the objections raised in the Action. In addition, other amendments have been made to correct typographical errors. Consequently, applicants respectfully submit that these amendments should obviate the objections.

**Claim Objections and Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph**

Amendments have been made to obviate the objections and rejections. Consequently, applicants respectfully submit that these objections and rejections should be withdrawn. Furthermore, applicants respectfully submit that these amendments do not narrow the scope of the claims.

In addition, the Action questioned whether the chloride ions are derived from the hydrochloric acid. Applicants respectfully submit that one of ordinary skill in the art reviewing the specification would understand that at least some of the chloride ions would be derived from, e.g., the hydrochloric acid. See, e.g., pages 12 and 20 of the present specification.

In view of the above, favorable reconsideration is courteously requested. If there are any remaining issues which can be expedited by a telephone conference, the examiner is courteously invited to telephone counsel at the number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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